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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 23, 2006

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I. Introduction.

Claims 1-10, 13 and 14 are pending. Of these claims, Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 13 were subjected to obviousness-type double patenting rejections. Claims 8 and 14 were allowed.

II. The Double Patenting Rejections.

A. Claims 1-7, 9, and 10.

The Office Action states that Claims 1-7, 9, and 10 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as purportedly being unpatentable over